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Applicant:

Patrick NOLAN

Title:

BUCKLE ASSEMBLY

Appl. No.:

10/735,817

Appl. Filing Date:

12/16/2003

Examiner:

James R. Brittain

Art Unit:

3677

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

Mail Stop RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. This RCE and the enclosed items listed below are being filed prior to the earliest of: (1) payment of the issue fee (unless a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313 is granted); (2) abandonment of the application; or (3) the filing of a notice of appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. §141, or the commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. §145 or §146 (unless the appeal or civil action is terminated).

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114: (check items that apply)

| | | a. Prev | viously submitted: |
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| | | [] | Please enter and consider the amendment and/or reply previously filed on |
| | | [] | Please consider the Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) previously filed on but not |
| 06/09/2005 JI | BALINAN | | considered. 10735817 |
| 01 FC:1801 | | | 790.00 OP |

Please consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply previously filed on ____.
Other ____.
Enclosed are:
[X] Amendment/Reply (6 pages).
[] Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s).
[X] Information Disclosure Statement (2 pages).
[X] Form SB/08 with copies of 2 listed reference(s) (10 pages).

Miscellaneous:

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[] Suspension of action of the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of __ months.

The filing fee is calculated below:

Other.

| | Claims as Amended | | Previously Paid For | | tra Claims sent | Rate | | | Fee Totals |
|------------------|----------------------|-------|------------------------|---------|--------------------|------|----------|---|------------|
| RCE Fee 1.17(e): | | | | | | | \$790.00 | = | \$790.00 |
| Total Claims: | 12 | - | 20 | = 0 | | x | \$50.00 | = | \$0.00 |
| Independents | 2 | - | 3 | = 0 | | x | \$200.00 | = | \$0.00 |
| First p | resentation o | f any | y Multiple I | Depende | nt Claims: | + | \$360.00 | = | \$0.00 |
| | | | | | CLAIMS | FEE | TOTAL: | = | \$790.00 |

[] Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for the total number of months checked below:

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| \$0.00 | \$120.00 | Extension for response filed within the first month: | , l J |
| \$0.00 | \$450.00 | Extension for response filed within the second month: | [] |
| \$0.00 | 1,020.00 | Extension for response filed within the third month: | [] |
| \$0.00 | 1,590.00 | Extension for response filed within the fourth month: | [] |
| \$0.00 | 2,160.00 | Extension for response filed within the fifth month: | [] |
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| \$0.00 | 1.103(c) | Suspension of action requested under 37 C.F.R. | [] |
| \$790.00 | AL FEE: | TC | |
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- [] Please charge Deposit Account No. 19-0741 in the amount of \$790.00. A duplicate copy of this transmittal is enclosed.
- [X] A check in the amount of \$790.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.
- [X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Please direct all correspondence to the undersigned attorney or agent at the address indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

Date June 8, 2005

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